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"I have not yet begun to fight!"



IN ISRAEL, POPE TRIES TO SALVE WOUNDS

By Michael R. Gordon

Standing alone before a granite slab symbolizing the graves of unidentified victims of the Holocaust, Pope John Paul II bowed his head Thursday in a long silence that filled the cold, dark Hall of Remembrance of Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust memorial.

"In this place of memories, the mind and heart and soul feel an extreme need for silence," the pope said. "Silence in which to remember. Silence in which to make some sense of the memories which come flooding back. Silence because there are no words strong enough to deplore the terrible tragedy of the Shoah."

The pope's visit to Yad Vashem, where he met with Holocaust survivors, including several Jews from his hometown of Wadowice, Poland, was, for Israel, the emotional highpoint of his trip. Blending regret for the moral failures of many Catholics with a reminder of the Jewish friends and neighbors he lost in the Holocaust, the pope sought to heal

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GOVERNMENT FINDS DIFFERENT PUNISHMENT By Associated Press

Sources close to the Microsoft antitrust case say it looks like the federal government is backing away from demanding the break up of the software maker. The move represents a shift by the Justice Department, which largely decided months ago to press for a breakup while anticipating a favorable ruling from U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson in the coming weeks.

It also puts Justice's stance at odds with some state attorneys general who believe that only the harshest punishment is appropriate. Microsoft has indicated it will not accept any settlement that divides the company. U.S. Assistant Attorney General Joel I. Klein believes such a punishment might not be necessary to restrain what the trial judge called Microsoft's monopoly power over the technology industry.

New York's attorney general, Eliot Spitzer, on Thursday praised Klein's handling of the antitrust trial but acknowledged that past cooperation between states and Justice "doesn't mean we're going to agree on every piece, every remedy."

Antitrust experts offered several explanations why Justice now might be inclined to accept lesser punishment than a breakup as part of a settlement, even though the trial judge strongly has hinted he will rule that Microsoft violated antitrust laws. Punishment worked out under settlement could apply immediately, without the uncertainty over the outcome of lengthy appeals. Government lawyers also could negotiate a punishment broadly enough they would apply to controversial practices that were not part of the current trial.

STOCK MARKET

D O W JONES CLIMBS OVER 11,000 By New York Times

Stocks soared again Thursday as investors poured into technology and financial shares in a bet that the Federal Reserve is almost finished raising short-term interest rates. Similar optimism fueled the Treasury bond market, as the price on the 30-year bond rose to its highest level since August.

The Dow Jones industrial average jumped above 11,000 for the first time in six weeks, gaining 253.16 points, or 2.3 percent, to 11,119.86. It was the 10th time since the beginning of February that the Dow has gained or lost more than 200 points, a level that once was eye-popping but has become almost routine.

The broader Standard & Poor's 500 stock index set its third consecutive record, rising 26.71 points, or 1.8 percent, to 1,527.35, while the Nasdaq composite index gained 75.86 points, or 1.6 percent, to 4,940.61.

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the divisions between Catholics and Jews by expressing his feelings inside the saddest, starkest memorial in Israel.

"I assure the Jewish people that the Catholic church, motivated by the Gospel law of truth and love and by no political considerations, is deeply saddened by the hatred, acts of persecution and displays of anti-Semitism directed against the Jews by Christians at any time, and in any place," he said.

The visit to Yad Vashem was broadcast live on Israeli television. "Your coming here today, to the Tent of Remembrance at Yad Vashem, is a climax of this historic journey of healing," Prime Minister Ehud Barak, said, his voice rough with emotion. "Here, right now, time itself has come to a stand-still. This very moment holds within it 2,000 years of history. And their weight is almost too much to bear."

SUNDAY'S SITE TV SCHEDULE

CHANNEL 2

1030 MAN WITH THE PERFECT SWING 1230 RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK 1430 CITY SLICKERS

1630 DICK

1800 BELOVED
2000 CRUEL INTENTIONS

2200 ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW

CHANNEL 6

1030 FLUBBER
1230 ROUNDERS
1430 WALL STREET
1630 WRONGFULLY ACCUSED
1800 THE POSTMAN
2000 LETHAL WEAPON 4
2200 WHITE MEN CAN'T JUMP

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NATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL NEWS

POLITICIANS STRUGGLE WITH OIL By Associated Press

Struggling to find a political answer to rising oil prices Senate Republican leaders are pushing for a temporary roll back of federal gasoline taxes as their House counterparts draft longer-term tax breaks intended to boost domestic production. Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., introduced a pair of gas-tax bills this week.

One would roll back, until January, the 4.3-cents-per-gallon increase imposed in 1993. The other would enact a temporary "tax holiday" and suspend the 18.4-cents-pergallon federal gas tax if pump prices top \$2 a gallon this year. House Republicans meanwhile already have backed away from plans to reduce gas taxes as a quick way of easing the price crunch.

IRAQ BUILDING BASE FOR REBELS By Elaine Sciolino

Iraq has spent tens of millions of dollars in recent months to build a military headquarters for an Iranian opposition group that the Clinton administration considers a terrorist organization, senior administration officials said Thursday.

The officials declassified a satellite photograph of the complex, which covers 2.4 square miles in Faluja, 40 miles west of Baghdad. The officials said the Iraqis had used profits from the illegal sale of oil to build the complex for the exclusive use of the People's Mujahedeen, the Iranian group.

The People's Mujahedeen was created in the 1960s as an armed Islamic opposition movement against Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi and fought in

guerrilla operations that forced his overthrow. The group waged an armed struggle against the Iranian state from Iraq, which provides the group with financial support and military equipment.

The People's Mujahedeen remains the most powerful opponent of the Islamic Republic, attacking targets in Iran and assassinating officials.

INQUIRY BEGINS ON WHITE HOUSE By David Johnston and Marc Lacey

The Justice Department has begun a criminal investigation into whether White House officials illegally suppressed large numbers of e-mail messages subpoenaed in investigations of the Clinton administration campaign fund raising and other activities, documents filed in federal court disclosed.

Investigators are also looking into accusations that White House officials threatened employees of a non-government contractor if they disclosed that the messages were missing, according to the court papers. The inquiry by the department's campaign finance unit started after Republicans accused the White House of concealing private electronic communications sought by investigators in Congress, the Justice Department, and the Independent Counsel's Office. The investigators wanted e-mail dealing with campaign fund raising, Monica Lewinsky and other matters.

The Justice Department's filing in federal court said nothing about the contents of the e-mail. The department contends a criminal investigation is justified because of the possibility that some of the messages may have been relevant to the investigations.

BOMHOMME RICHARD SNAPSHOTS

CRYPTOLOGIC TECHNICIAN (CTT), ELECTRONIC WARFARE TECHNICIAN (EW) RATINGS SCHEDULED TO MERGE

The Secretary of the Navy has approved the merger of the EW and CTT ratings with a target final implementation date of Oct. 1, 2003. The timeline is required to ensure a smooth transition to support new capabilities with the need to sustain current systems. Separate correspondence will be provided by COMNAVRESFOR to address conversion of naval reservists.



Sailors and Marines join together on the flightdeck to perform a complete freshwater washdown. (Photo by JOC (SW/AW) Stephen K. Robinson.)



Cryptologic Technician (Technical) First Class Doung Seangmany and Electronics Warfare Technician First Class Dana Williams are ready for the merger. (Photo by JO3 Laura Wiggins.)



Machinist's Mate Third Class Ricardo Gutierrez takes fuel samples in the foward main machinery room. (Photo by JOC (SW/AW) Stephen K. Robinson.)



Crewmembers gather in the hangar bay for training on forklift operation. (Photo by JO3 Laura Wiggins.)

Fireman Ivonne Jocome (right) takes soundings from a fuel tank during last weeks Underway Replenishment. (Photo by JO3 Laura Wiggins.)



SPORTS

ROCKETS HALT LOSING STREAK By Associated Press

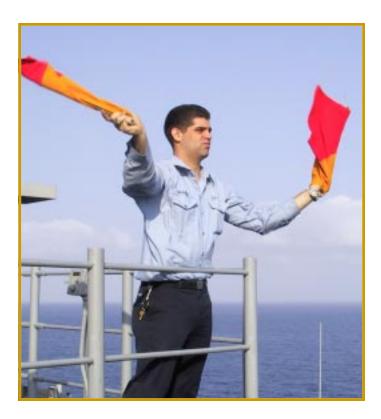
Steve Francis scored 34 points to help the Houston Rockets end an eight-game losing streak with a 110-95 win over the Los Angeles Clippers on Thursday night.

OTHER NBA SCORES:

Milwaukee 105 Indiana 84 Cleveland 104 Dallas 98

MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL SCORES

Michigan St. 75	Syracuse 58
Iowa St. 80	UCLA 56
Purdue 75	Gonzaga 66
Wisconsin 61	LSU 48
Florida 87	Duke 78
N. Carolina 74	Tenn. 69
Okla. St. 68	Seton Hall 66
Tulsa 80	Miami 71



SMSR Joseph Navarro practices his signals during last week's Underway Replenishment. (Photo by JO3 Laura Wiggins.)

SENATORS CLOSE IN ON MAPLE LEAFS By Associated Press

Radek Bonk scored the go-ahead goal midway through the third period to lead the Ottawa Senators to a 3-2 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs Thursday night. The Senators now trail the Maple Leafs by three points in the Northeast Division. Ottawa is attempting to catch Toronto and repeat as division champions.

OTHER NHL SCORES:

Florida 3 Boston 1
Buffalo 4 Calgary 2
Los Angeles 3 Philadelphia 2
Washington 4 N.Y. Rangers 1
Detroit 6 Nashville 3

CONGRATULATIONS!

ENLISTED SURFACE WARFARE
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III TYRONE TATE



ET2 John England cross-trains ET3 Chad Fore on the midwatch. (Photo by J03 Laura Wiggins.)

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- 2. Goods made in any foreign country by convict labor, forced labor, or indentured labor under penal sanctions.
- 3. Products originating in North Korea, Cuba, Vietnam, Rhodesia, Cambodia, Iran and Iraq.
- 4. Destructive devises (e.g. explosive caps, hand grenades, tear gas projectiles, artillery simulators).
- 5. Explosives, fireworks and flammables.
- 6. White and yellow phosphorus matches.
- 7. Firearms, replica firearms, and ammunition.
- 8. Counterfeits of coins, securities, obligations, postage or revenue stamps, and colored illustrations of postage stamps of the United States or foreign governments.
- 9. Lottery tickets and advertisements of any lottery.
- 10. Material which is seditious, treasonable, or insurrectionary toward the United States.
- 11. Articles or medicine for the inducement of abortions.
- 12. Absinthe or liquors which contain wormwood.
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- 14. Trademark items any large quantity must be declared; items for your personal use, vice sale, are allowed in small quantities.
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- 16. Switchblade knives or any knife with a blade which opens automatically by the action of inertia, or gravity. Any other dangerous weapons.
- 17. Not more than 100 cigars for personal use.
- 18. Furs products of USSR, Republic of China.
- 19. Any items considered as contraband.

Middle Eastern society is more conservative than Western nations. A person's dress is very important and accepted norms in even Singapore may be offensive in Bahrain. Dress Charlie is defined in the CPR3 SOPA regulations. It is quoted here: Therefore, BAHRAIN LIBERTY ATTIRE will be Dress Charlie.

"Civilian attire shall present a neat, conservative appearance. Clothing will be loose-fitting and concealing rather than revealing. Shirts or blouses of sheer fabrics that could be considered revealing shall not be worn. Only the top button of shirts may be left open. Shorts are prohibited in public except when actively engaged in jogging or other sporting events. PT gear, including warm-up suits, will be worn only when going to, coming from, or participating in physical training events. PT or gym clothes shall not be worn into commercial establishments. Cutoffs, sleeveless shirts, and tank tops are prohibited. Conservative, clean denim pants (jeans) are acceptable for liberty. Long pants with belt will be worn with a long or short-sleeved collared shirt or "dress style" collarless shirt. For women, dresses and skirts may be worn but must be loose fitting and fall at least to the knees or below. Upper arms and shoulders must be covered at all times. Dress shoes, tennis shoes or topsider style shoes will be worn with socks or stockings (female attire). High-heeled shoes are not authorized for transit on or off ships for safety reasons, but they may be worn by females in appropriate liberty venues."

The following items are specifically prohibited: traditional host nation attire; frayed, worn or damaged clothing; shoes that are dirty or in bad repair; sandals; cammies; bib overalls; bandannas; cowboy hats; earrings or nose rings for men; shorts except as noted above; clothing that reveals a person's cleavage, breasts, midriff or buttocks; shirts, jackets or ball caps with military, political, religious, music related, or illegal drug themes or logos; any garment which depicts drugs, lewd acts, or sex or alcohol references shall not be worn. Camelback personal hydrating canteens shall not be worn ashore.

Earrings/body piercing. No articles, other than one pair of earrings for women, shall be attached to or through the ear, nose, or any other body part.

Jewelry. Wearing flashy jewelry is highly discouraged. Religious medallions and pendants will be worn out of sight.